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TOPIC Military Information from the Wittstock Troop Training Grounds

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1. Between 9 and 24 November 1951, Camp Schweinrich at the Wittstock (N 54/U 11) troop training grounds was occupied by only a house keeping detail of 2 officers and 25 men with truck [redacted]. The detail had the mission of guarding the camp and maintaining unoccupied low wooden barracks buildings during the winter. 25X1
2. No road or rail movements from and to the Wittstock troop training grounds were noticed in November 1951. However, gunfire was occasionally heard from the direction of the training grounds. A German workmen said that a wooden observation tower, 33 meters high, and with a concrete foundation, had been erected on the Weheberg (hills), 3 km southeast of Gadow, in the summer of 1951.
3. On 14 December, source determined that the Soviet komendatura at 13 Roebelerstrasse, Wittstock, was staffed by personnel who wore red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets. *

25X1A * [redacted] Comment. Another source also reported that there were no troops at the Wittstock troop training grounds and that Camp Schweinrich was occupied by only a guard detail. [redacted] 25X1A

25X1A [redacted]. Occasional record firing by small units was also reported from other troop training grounds in the Soviet Zone of Germany in November and December 1951.

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